Family Planning Centres in Gujarat

3384. SHRI GOPALSINH G. SOLANKI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of Family Planning Centres in Gujarat at present and what is the annual expenditure incurred thereon district-wise; and

(b) what is the number of family planning operations performed in each of the district during 1990-91, 1991-92 and so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. D. K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) and (b) The details are given in the attached statement. (*See* Appendix CLXV, Annexure No. 57).

Shortfall in the availability of male health workers in sub-centres in Assam

3385. SHRI DAVID LEDGER: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a huge shortfall in the availability of male health workers have been reported in certain sub-centres in Assam;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the existing male health workers have not been given the required training;

(c) if so, how and why the directives of the Government of India have been violated;

(d) if so, what steps Government propose to take in this regard; and

(e) the number of sub-centres in Assam having a shortfall of trained male health workers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. D.K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) and (d) In view of (b) above, question does not arise.

(e) Out of total of 5133 Sub-Centres, 1820 Sub-Centres are without Male Health Workers.

Equipment for cancer therapy sought by Andhra Pradesh

3386. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any proposal from Government of Andhra Pradesh for seeking equipment for cancer therapy;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what action has been taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. D.K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the House.

Cost of gadgets, required for heart patients

3387. SHRI INDER KUMAR GUJRAL: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that at present gadgets required for heart patients continue to be unaffordable by a majority of the patients whose lives depend upon them;

(b) whether it is a fact that on the average it costs about Rs. 60,000/- for a patient; and

(c) if so, what steps are being taken to